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1. [REDACTED] INTELLIGENCE BRIEFING Escorted Neil Newhouse, on the staff of the House Republican Wednesday Group, to a meeting with [REDACTED] OCI, on the [REDACTED]

2. [REDACTED] LIAISON Received a call from Paul Hoff, on the Senate Government Operations Committee staff, who said he was preparing for a meeting with Senator Abraham Ribicoff (D., Conn.), Chairman of the Committee. Hoff wondered if a decision had been made on the Director's testimony in late January on the subject of congressional oversight. He emphasized the Committee's desire to have Mr. Colby testify regardless of the status of Ambassador Bush's nomination. I told him a decision had not yet been made, but that I would press for a quick one.

3. [REDACTED] LEGISLATION Received a call from Ted Dobbs, Congressional Relations at the State Department, who informed me that the House International Relations Committee had agreed on an amendment by Representative Dante Fascell (D., Fla.) putting conditions on any U.S. aid to Angola.

4. [REDACTED] LIAISON Called Jack Brady, House International Relations Committee staff, and received details regarding the information he had requested on covert action earlier from Mr. Cary. I arranged to deliver the material to Brady within the next few days.

5. [REDACTED] INTEL BRIEFINGS ON CHINA/ANGOLA I accompanied [REDACTED] OGCR, to brief Congresswomen Margaret Heckler (R., Mass.), Lindy Boggs (D., La.), Yvonne Burke (D., Calif.), Patricia Schroeder (D., Colo.), Gladys Spellman (D., Md.), Elizabeth Holtzman (D., N.Y.), Millicent Fenwick (R., N.J.), and Helen Meyner (D., N.Y.) on Angola and China. The foregoing are members of the women's congressional delegation that will visit China from 26 December 1975 to 10 January 1976. Copies of China Atlas, fact sheet on China and paper on women in China were distributed. The briefing went very well.

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6. [redacted] LIAISON Bob Mantel, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, called and said that Richard Moose, also of the staff, asked him to call concerning the Peter Mosely article in the New York Times, saying that representatives of the MPLA had 11,200 troops from Zaire, 4,000 regular South African soldiers fighting, another 2,500 are in the southern part of Angola, about 5% have been captured and are being displayed to the press in Luanda. It also states that there are U.S. military advisors in Zaire training troops. He needs to know immediately what the truth is.

I checked with [redacted] DDO, and called [redacted] OCI, who will call Mantel and give him the facts. They are grossly magnified in the article. 25X1

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8. [redacted] LIAISON Clark McFadden, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, called and said Senator Robert Taft (R., Ohio) has asked him to put together material on the CIA's legislative background. He wants the rationale for why CIA does not publish its budget. I referred him to the relevant portions of the CIA and National Security Acts.

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1. [REDACTED] TRAVEL Talked to Ralph Preston and Chuck Snodgrass, staff of the House Appropriations Committee, about our proposed trip to the Far East and Pacific and the anticipated action on Senator John Tunney's (D., Calif.) amendment in the Senate. I provided Snodgrass with some backup material [REDACTED]

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2. [REDACTED] ADMINISTRATIVE Talked to Pete Roussel, NSC, and Russ Rourke, White House, about Ambassador Bush's confirmation hearings and the possibility of Senate action prior to the Christmas recess. Everyone is pushing hard on this, but it is still uncertain whether Ambassador Bush's nomination can be taken up on the Senate floor before the Congressional recess.

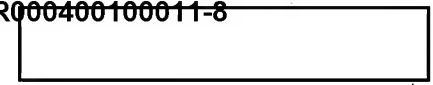
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3. [REDACTED] TRAVEL Talked to Ted Shackley, C/EA, about Representative Dale Milford's (D., Tex.) travels with the House Armed Services Committee delegation to the Far East and the Pacific and sent EA Division a draft itinerary so that a cable could be sent.

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4. [REDACTED] ADMINISTRATIVE Late in the day, I talked to Senator John Stennis (D., Miss.) and made a personal appeal to him on behalf of the Director on the hope that Ambassador Bush's nomination could be taken up on the Senate floor before the recess. Senator Stennis said that three Senators have insisted on their right to delay the consideration of the nomination for three days and while he (Senator Stennis) had hoped to get the nomination on the floor tomorrow, there is no way that he can interfere with the rights of those Senators, therefore, the nomination will have to be put off until after the Christmas recess. I advised the Director of the conversation with Senator Stennis.

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9. [REDACTED] ADMINISTRATIVE In response to a query
[REDACTED] received from Frank Wisner, Jr., of State Department, for a
listing of all the Director's briefings [REDACTED] called Bud McFarland,
NSC staff, and consulted with him on whether we should provide the
information to Wisner. He said we could either offer to provide it to the
Committee (Wednesday Group which met Thursday), before whom Wisner
appeared today, or give Wisner a classified listing for transmittal on a
classified basis. I then called Wisner and explained the reasons behind the
classification of such a list. He said he understood and a classified listing
was subsequently LDX'd to Wisner

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10. [REDACTED] ADMINISTRATIVE Received a call from Frances Miko, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress, who said he had a request from a congressman asking for information on political prisoners in Soviet jails. He said in February 1974, Bernard Gwertzman of the New York Times had an article which quoted a "CIA estimate" stating there were 2 1/2 million people in jail. The member (unidentified) would like to know how we arrived at that estimate. [REDACTED] is handling this request.

11. [REDACTED] ADMINISTRATIVE Evelyn, Secretary to Rob Roy Ratliff, NSC staff, called to point out a mistake in Mr. [REDACTED] statement before the House Select Committee on 9 December. There is a reference to Section 662 of the Foreign Assistance Act and it is mistakenly listed as Section 663. I thanked her for pointing this out and reported this to Mr. [REDACTED] office.

12. [REDACTED] LIAISON Jack Brady, House International Relations staff, called concerning the amendment Representative Michael Harrington (D., Mass.) introduced which would drop all the language of Section 662 of the Foreign Assistance Act. He said this would put us out of the covert action business all together. I told him Representative Elizabeth Holtzman (D., N.Y.) tried this last year and lost. I said the Director feels strongly that the U.S. has to maintain some capability.

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[REDACTED] BRIEFING Accompanied [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] OCI, for a briefing on Angola of Senator John Tunney
(D., Calif.), and Mark E. Moran, his Legislative Assistant.

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6. [] BRIEFING I accompanied Les Dirks, C/OD&E/DDS&T, to a briefing of Representative Dale Milford (D., Texas) at 1430 hours. Security sweep and monitoring was handled by [] Office of Security

I gave him a copy of our 'sources and methods' package. He is interested in supporting some sort of legislation to tighten up the security of intelligence activities.

We discussed his January 1976 trip and what he hoped to gain from it. See Memorandum for the Record.

7. [] HEARINGS I called Tom Susman, Chief Counsel, Subcommittee on Administrative Practice & Procedure, Senate Committee on the Judiciary, and received from him his objections to our deletions in the 1963 IG Report which he had obtained under an FOIA request for Senator Kennedy, (D., Mass.). His comments were: Some of the revisions were already public or disclosed by our testimony; and some he simply did not understand our rationale. He said he would check these out and would be back in touch. I have turned this matter over to [] of the IG Staff who will work with [], OLC, and [] OGC, to close out this matter.

8. [] INTEL BRIEFINGS (CHINA/ANGOLA) Spoke with Jim Dolan of Congresswoman Margaret Heckler's (R., Mass.) office concerning her request for a briefing on China. He said this would be in preparation for a group of congresswomen who will be visiting China in January. Congresswoman Heckler wanted over-view of China to include political, economic and agricultural subjects. Congresswoman Heckler also wanted a current briefing of the situation in Angola. The briefing is scheduled for 2 o'clock P.M. in Heckler's office tomorrow. Twelve Congresswomen will be going to China; it is not known which of them will be present for the briefing. (Margaret Heckler (R., Mass.) Lindy Boggs (D., La.) Yvonne Burke (D., Calif.) Bella Abzug (D., N.Y.) Patricia Schroeder (D., Colo.) Virginia Smith (R., Neb.) Gladys Spellman (D., Md.) Patsy Mink (D., Hawaii) Cardiss Collins (D., Ill.) Elizabeth Holtzman (D., N.Y.) Millicent Fenwick (R., N.Y.))

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